

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: SINGLETON, Earl R. CONF. NO: 2785  
SERIAL NO.: 10/647,758 ART UNIT: 3671  
FILED: August 25, 2003 EXAMINER: Tara L. Mayo  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND  
AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

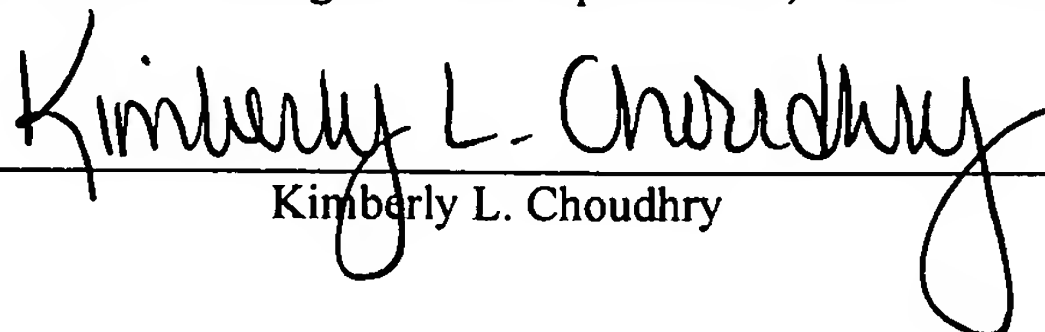
In response to the final Office Action mailed May 20, 2005, Applicant has filed on this same day a continuation-in-part application. Abandonment of the above-identified application is authorized upon successful granting of a filing date to the mentioned continuation-in-part application.

Submitted herewith is a request for a 3-month extension of time, which extends the period of reply to and including November 20, 2005.

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**CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent via Express Mail, #EV 641462936 US to Examiner Tara L. Mayo on November 18, 2005.

  
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **09-0528**.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dana E. Stano".

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